

C H A P. VIII.

A Supplementary Act to the Act, entitled, *An Act for erecting a new Parish in Kent County, called Chester Parish, and for building a Parish Church, and enlarging a Chapel of Ease within the said Parish.*

Preamble.

WHEREAS the Inhabitants of *Chester-Town*, in *Kent County*, and other Inhabitants of *Chester Parish*, in the said County, have set forth, That in order to have a new and commodious Chapel in the Town aforesaid, sufficient to hold all the People that live convenient, to attend Divine Worship therein, many well disposed People have voluntarily subscribed large Sums of Money, to the Amount of Five Hundred Pounds, or upwards, to be paid towards building the said Chapel, in the said Town, which, with the Fifty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco, appropriated by the Act, to which this is a Supplement, to make an Addition to the House of Worship, formerly erected in the said Town, the Bricks and Materials of the old Church, and the Money that might arise by the Sale, to the highest Bidders, of such Pews as should be made in the second Story, exclusive of a sufficient common Gallery, and such as may remain undisposed off in the lower Story, to such of the Freeholders of the said Parish as shall not have Pews or Seats in the lower Part; the Proprietors of the old Church, and all other Persons who are Owners of Lots, and reside in Town, having Seats in the lower Part of the said new Church, (those that have no Seats in the old, paying the Costs of erecting said Pews in the new) a good new Brick Chapel might be built, Sixty Feet long, Forty Feet wide, and Two Story high, with a Stone Foundation, and well finished off, and that the Ground in the said Town, already appropriated for the Church, is full small for a Burying Ground, and that the said Chapel would stand much better on a Part of the Public Ground, laid out in the said Town for the Court-House, and that no Inconveniencies would arise to the Public, from placing the said Church thereon, with Liberty of inclosing a small Yard round the same; and have therefore prayed that an Act might pass for the Purposes aforesaid, and that some Gentlemen residing in the said Town, who could see the Work properly and faithfully executed, might be empowered by the said Act to carry it into Execution, and to dispose of the Pews, when finished, agreeable to the Directions of the said Act.

Part of the Public Ground on *Chester-Town* appropriated for building a Chapel, &c. but no Corps to be interr'd therein under a Penalty.

II. *Be it therefore Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same,* That Part of the Public Ground, in *Chester-Town* aforesaid, at the Corner of High-Street and Cross-Street, of the Extent of Ninety Feet on High-Street, and One Hundred and Twenty Feet on Cross-Street, shall be, and is hereby appropriated for the building and placing the said intended new Chapel, and to inclose a Yard round the same, and shall be, and remain to the Use of a Church or Chapel, in the said Town, for ever; but that no Person whatsoever, shall be understood therefrom, to have any Right to break the said Ground, to bury the Corps of any one deceased: And if any Person or Persons, shall hereafter presume or attempt to bury any Corps, or dead Body, within any Part of the said Ground, so as aforesaid appropriated to build the said Chapel on, he, she, or they, so offending, shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Ten Pounds Current Money; the One Half thereof to be paid to the Vestry of the said Parish, to be by them applied towards the Repairs of the said Chapel, the other Half to whoever shall sue for the same, together with full Costs of Suit, to be recovered by Action of Debt, in the County Court.

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